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SUBJECT: CIVAIR: TWA RIGHT TO OFFER SEAMEN'S DISCOUNT

REF: A. STOCKHOLM 2530; B. STATE 127203

1. ROLF PETTERSSON, SWEDISH CIVIL AVIATION BOARD, AND JON EKHOLM, DEPUTY TO SAS VICE PRESIDENT FOR FOREIGN AFFIARSN OFFERED SUGGESTION AUGUST 25 ON HOW TWA COULD PARTICIPATE IN SCANDINAVIAN SEAMEN'S DISCOUNT SCHEME. EMBASSY SEEKS DEPARTMENT'S ADVICE ON ACCEPTABILITY OF THIS SOLUTION. TWA'S LOCAL REPRESENTATIVE HAS NOT BEEN INFORMED OF CONVERSATION.

2. UNDER SCHEME AS ORIGINALLY OPERATED, GOVERNMENTS OF NORWAY, SWEDEN AND DENMARK ISSUED "ORDER" TO SAS REQUESTING TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES FOR CREWMEN OF MERCHANT MARINES OF THE THREE COUNTRIES AT REDUCED RATES. FOR FLIGHTS BETWEEN DENMARK, NORWAY AND SWEDEN AND COUNTRIES IN EUROPE, DISCOUNT IS 40 PERCENT OF TOURIST/ECONOMY FARE, AND FOR FLIGHTS BETWEEN THE THREE COUNTRIES AND COUNTRIES IN OTHER AREAS DISCOUNT IS 25 PERCENT.

3. IN APPLICATION OF THE PRINCIPLE OF NATIONAL TREATMENT, FOREIGN AIRLINES FLYING INTO ANY ONE OF THE THREE COUNTRIES WERE INVITED TO NOTIFY SCANDINAVIAN CIVIL AVIATION AUTHORITIES IF THEY  
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WISHED TO PARTICIPATE IN ORDER.

4. THE SCANDINAVIAN AUTHORITIES DID NOT INCLUDE IN SCHEME FOREIGN CARRIERS NOT FLYING INTO ANY ONE OF THE THREE COUNTRIES ON THE LEGAL GROUND THAT THEY HAD NO JURISDICTION TO ISSUE AN ORDER TO SUCH CARRIERS.

5. WHEN SOUTH AFRICAN AIRWAYS WISHED TO PARTICIPATE IN SCHEME, SOLUTION WAS REACHED WHICH COULD ALSO BE APPLIED IN CASE OF TWA. SOUTH AFRICAN GOVERNMENT, RATHER THAN SCANDINAVIAN CIVIL AVIATION AUTHORITIES, ISSUED ORDER REQUESTING THAT CARRIER TO PROVIDE TRANSPORTATION TO DANISH, NORWEGIAN, AND SWEDISH SEAMEN AT DISCOUNT RATES. SOUTH AFRICAN AIRWAYS IS ONLY AIRLINE NOT FLYING INTO SCANDINAVIA THAT PARTICIPATES IN SCHEME.

6. ACTION REQUESTED: EMBASSY SEEKS DEPARTMENT'S GUIDANCE RESPECTING FOLLOWING QUESTIONS RAISED BY PETTERSSON:

(A) DOES POLICY STATEMENT OF US CAB (REF B) CONSTITUTE "ORDER" TO TWA? IF IT DOES NOT, WILL USG ISSUE SUCH AN ORDER?

(B) DOES USG WISH TO RESTRICT SEAMEN TWA MAY CARRY TO THOSE WHOSE FARES ARE NOT PAID FOR BY A GOVERNMENT? SOME 80 PERCENT OF NORWEGIAN SEAMEN HAVE THEIR FARES PAID IN WHOLE OR PART BY NORWEGIAN GOVERNMENT. SWEDEN AND DENMARK DO NOT USUALLY PAY SEAMEN'S FARES. SAS AND OTHER PARTICIPATING CARRIERS ARE NOT REQUIRED TO LOOK INTO SOURCE OF PAYMENT. PAN AM, IT IS ALLEGED, SIMILARLY ACCEPTS SEAMEN WHOSE TRAVEL IS GOVERNMENT-PAID. THERE WAS NO SUGGESTION ON PART OF SAS REPRESENTATIVE OR OF PETTERSSON THAT SAS SHOULD RECEIVE SPECIAL CONSIDERATION IN TRANSPORT OF SEAMEN WHOSE FARES ARE PAID BY A SCANDINAVIAN GOVERNMENT.

7. COPIES OF SCANDINAVIAN GOVERNMENT ORDER AND STATEMENT OF "CONDITIONS AND DIRECTIVES FOR TRANSPORTATION OF SHIPS" PERSONNEL ON BASIS OF GOVERNMENT REQUESTS" BEING POUCHED TO EB/AVP.  
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